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November 25, 2008

REQUEST FOR A REFUND

Sir:

On October 23, 2008, Applicants filed a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.181 to withdrawal holding of Abandonment of the above-identified application in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (copy of the filing of October 23, 2008 enclosed). The filing was a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.181 to Withdraw a Holding of Abandonment based on the failure to receive an Office Action. We enclose a copy of the papers filed on October 23, 2008. No fees were due as the Office Action was never received.

Adjustment date: 12/10/2008 CKHLUK
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However, the Deposit Account of Applicant's representative, Deposit Account 08-0750, was erroneously charged an additional \$130.00 on October 24, 2008 (a copy of the October 2008 Deposit Account Statement is also attached herewith).

Applicants therefore respectfully request that a refund of \$130.00 be credited to Deposit Account No. 08-0750. A duplicate copy of this request is attached herewith.

Favorable action on the present Request is respectfully requested.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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